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TO : Legislative Counsel

DATE: FEB 5 1952

FROM : Assistant Director, SI

SUBJECT: Bills in the Field of Atomic Energy Before Congress.

1. In reference to your memorandum of 28 January 1952 on the same subject, there appears to be one bill on atomic energy before Congress which is of interest to this Agency. This is House Resolution 459, introduced by Mr. Vail on 11 October 1951, which authorizes the appointment of a select committee to investigate the possible unlawful loss, release, or transmittal to foreign governments of information on atomic energy.

2. The bill would authorize the study and review of any files or personnel records of a Government agency or Government agency loyalty board deemed pertinent by the committee, and under this provision might very well make parts of CIA the subject of a Congressional investigation which would be most undesirable.

3. I, therefore, request that you follow the progress of this House Resolution closely and keep me advised accordingly.

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H. MARSHALL CHADWELL**SECRET**